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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3212**  
Takeshi TAKAHA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005\_2066A  
Serial No. 10/563,595 : Group Art Unit 1794  
Filed February 3, 2006 : Examiner Joseph Hanrahan  
MOLDED ARTICLE CONTAINING : **Mail Stop: Amendment**  
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MODIFICATION AND METHOD  
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of May 12, 2009, constituting a requirement for restriction between (1) claims 1-12 and (2) claims 13-35, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group 2, i.e. claims 13-35.

Applicants emphasize that this election is made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of claims 1-12.

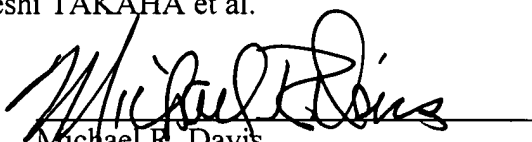
Action on the merits is requested.

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.*

Respectfully submitted,

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